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PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY

Reference No.20-PRO-PCMS-08-174

PHILSYS INTER-AGENCY COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AFFAIRS

RESOLUTION NO. 04

Series of 2020

**RECOMMENDING THE USAGE OF ELECTRONIC PHILSYS FORMS AND
OBTAINING CONSENT OF THE APPLICANTS TO UNDERGO
PRE-REGISTRATION PROCESS THROUGH ELECTRONIC SIGNATURES OR
TICKBOX APPROACH**

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 11055, otherwise known as the "Philippine Identification System Act", established the Philippine Identification System (PhilSys) to primarily provide a valid proof of identity for all citizens and resident aliens as means of simplifying public and private transactions;

WHEREAS, Section 15 of RA No. 11055 provides that the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) shall be the primarily implementing agency to carry out the provisions of the Act, which includes overall planning, management and administration of the PhilSys;

WHEREAS, Section 8 of the IRR of RA 11055 provides that every citizen and resident aliens shall register personally at any designated registration centers by submitting a duly accomplished PhilSys Registration Form supported by presentation of any of the required primary documents;

WHEREAS, in the light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the PSA deemed it necessary to find means to implement PhilSys Act and register at least five (5) million heads of low-income households by the end of 2020;

WHEREAS, Section 12 of RA No. 10173 otherwise known as the "Data Privacy Act of 2012" allows the data collection provided that in some instances, consent of data subject is secured, while consent is not necessary if the data collection is mandated by an existing law;

WHEREAS, PhilSys Policy and Coordination Council (PSPCC), in its Resolution No. 15, approved a pre-registration process which involves development of an appointment system that shall allow: 1) target applicants to book an appointment for their registration, 2) PSA to collect demographic data with front-facing photograph of the applicants using the Electronic PhilSys Forms including scanning of supporting documents prior to their scheduled visit at the registration center, and 3) get consent of the applicants to undergo pre-registration process through electronic signatures or tickbox approach;

WHEREAS, on 28 July 2020, the PhilSys Registry Office (PRO) together with the Chairpersons of various PhilSys Inter-Agency Committee, conducted an alignment and discussed the use of PhilSys Forms as provided in RA No.11055 and



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thereafter sought the opinion of the Chairman of the Inter-agency Committee (IAC) on Legal Affairs (LA) on the legality of the use of electronic forms;

WHEREAS, per Chairman of the IAC on LA, there is no prohibition in the IRR of RA No. 110555 on the use Electronic PhilSys Forms;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the IAC on Legal Affairs recommends to the PSPCC the use of Electronic PhilSys Forms and securing applicant's consent to undergo pre-registration through front-facing photograph, subject to the following conditions:

1. The PSA-PRO shall develop a pre-registration system that is capable of obtaining applicant's demographic data with front-facing photograph provided in Section 7 of the IRR of RA 11055;
2. The PSA-PRO shall develop an Electronic PhilSys Form which will be used by the applicants in the conduct of pre-registration.
3. The enumerators deployed for the conduct of pre-registration shall obtain the consent of the identified applicants to undergo pre-registration process through electronic signatures or tickbox approach.

3.1. A notice that the demographic data and front-facing photo of the applicant are collected pursuant to RA No. 11055 and PSPCC Resolution No. 15.

Adopted this 5th day of August 2020, in Quezon City.

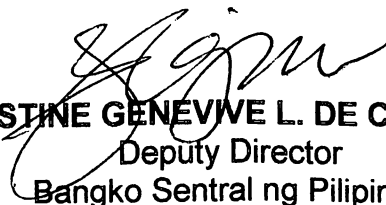


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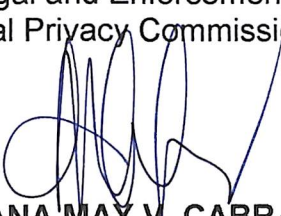
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